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<b>Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application N .</b>		<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
	09/599,877		LENNERSTRAND ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b>		<b>Art Unit</b>	
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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

- (1) Jeffrey S. Parkin, Ph.D. (3) Jesus Juanos i Timoneda (Reg. No. 43,332).  
 (2) \_\_\_\_\_. (4) \_\_\_\_\_.

Date of Interview: 10 April 2003 .

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
 c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.  
 If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_ .

Claim(s) discussed: all pending claims .

Identification of prior art discussed: \_\_\_\_\_ .

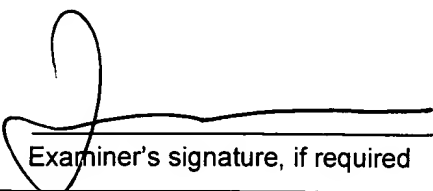
Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet .

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

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 Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Recommendations for overcoming the 35 USC 112, second paragraph, were discussed. It was suggested that the claims be amended to simply recite that various reaction components are present in the same well, and that these components then are involved in a chemical reaction/assay to detect RT activity. The "kinetics assay" language was deemed to be appropriate in view of the specification. Suggestions for improving the HIV "insertion mutation" claim language were also provided. Concerning the new matter rejection under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, applicants' representative provided appropriate support for the claimed limitations (e.g., see p. 14, second paragraph). Concerning the art rejections under 35 USC 103, the Examiner suggested that applicants provide a declaration by the inventor(s) clearly identifying the differences between the prior art and the claimed invention and indicating why the claimed invention is unobvious.